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MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION

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pursuant to Rule 106 of the Rules of Procedure

on the setting up of interparliamentary delegations

'The European Parliament

- having regard to Rule 106 of its Rules of Procedure,
- wishing to lay down guidelines for the general responsibilities, composition and activities of the interparliamentary delegations,

1. Decides as follows :

- (a) The Interparliamentary Delegations for relations with third countries shall be the European Parliament's organs for external contact and interparliamentary cooperation;

Their tasks shall be :

- interparliamentary dialogue,
- the exchange of information on topical issues and research of special interest,
- the provision of parliamentary backing for the Community's external policies;

- (b) The frequency and general calendar of interparliamentary meetings shall be laid down by the Enlarged Bureau, if possible for several years at a time. The Enlarged Bureau may submit proposals to Parliament for the establishment of new contacts with new partners;

- (c) Each interparliamentary meeting shall be subject to prior authorization by the Enlarged Bureau, which shall consider the budgetary implications and resources available on the basis of a financial statement;

- (d) The political groups and the non-attached members shall forward the names of the Chairmen, Vice-Chairmen and Members of the Delegations to the Enlarged Bureau, which shall rule on any disputes;

- (e) In appointing members to the Delegations, the political groups shall take account of their membership of the appropriate parliamentary committees;

- (f) There shall be no substitutes for the full members. Should the latter be unable to take part in the work of the Delegations, their political group shall appoint ad hoc replacements without delay;

- (g) The Enlarged Bureau shall ensure adequate attendance at the preparatory meetings of the Delegations and the meetings with Delegations from the third countries visiting Parliament;

- (h) The chairmen of delegations shall, in good time before meetings with delegations from third countries, inform the chairmen of the committees concerned of the subjects on the draft agenda, and ensure that the delegation is briefed and de-briefed by these committees;
 - (i) The Enlarged Bureau, at the proposal of the delegation or the appropriate committee, may authorize the Chairman or the Rapporteur of a parliamentary committee on a particular topic to take part in a meeting of a delegation of which he is not a member;
 - (j) Working documents drawn up on behalf of the delegation or for a specifically appointed member of the delegation, must primarily reflect the attitudes already adopted by the European Parliament in its Resolutions or restate the publicly expressed views of the European Community;
 - (k) The interparliamentary delegations shall not be empowered to publish statements of views, which, in the opinion of the delegation's chairman, go beyond policies or views expressed in Resolutions of the Parliament. The Enlarged Bureau and the committee of chairmen of delegations will give guide rules for delegations on the drafting and agreement of bilateral communiques and unilateral statements;
 - (l) After every interparliamentary meeting, the chairman of the delegation shall send a report on the work of the delegation, together with any appropriate recommendations, to the President of Parliament for the attention of the Enlarged Bureau. The Enlarged Bureau, shall decide on the circulation of this report to the parliamentary committees concerned and arrange for members to be informed as appropriate;
- 2. Instructs the Enlarged Bureau to put this Resolution into effect;
 - 3. Fixes the number of delegations and their size as follows :
 - delegation from the European Parliament to the European Parliament/
Spanish Cortes Joint Committee (18 members)
 - delegation from the European Parliament to the European Parliament/
Portuguese Parliament Joint Committee (18 members)
 - delegations from the European Parliament for relations with :

(a)	<u>Europe</u>	
	✖ The Northern European countries (Sweden, Norway, Finland, Iceland)	10
	✖ Switzerland	10
	✖ Austria	10
	✖ The Committee of EFTA Parliamentarians	10
	✖ Yugoslavia	10
	✖ The countries of Eastern Europe	10
	✖ Malta	10
	✖ Cyprus	10
(b)	<u>North Africa, the Near and Middle East</u>	
	✖ The Maghreb countries (Algeria, Morocco, Tunisia)	10
	✖ The Mashrek countries (Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria)	10
	✖ Israel	10
	✖ The Persian Gulf States	10
(c)	<u>The Americas</u>	
	✖ The United States	21
	✖ Canada	18
	✖ Latin-America (Latin-America Parliament)	16
	(a) Mexico	
	(b) The Central American States	
	(c) The Member States of the Andean Parliament	
	(d) Brazil	
(d)	<u>Asia and Australia</u>	
	✖ The countries of the Indian sub-continent (Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka)	10
	✖ The Member States of ASEAN and the ASEAN Interparliamentary Organization (AIPO)	18
	✖ The People's Republic of China	18
	✖ Japan	18
	✖ Australia and New Zealand	10

